



***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION***

***OCTOBER 3, 2002
12:15 P.M.***

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All present)

Briefing on future function and appearance of City of Roanoke streets.
(90 minutes)

A communication from Mayor Ralph K. Smith requesting a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on various authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

(Approved 7-0)

File #110-132

A request of the City Manager for a Closed Session to discuss acquisition of real property for public purpose, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the City of Roanoke, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

(Approved 7-0)

File #104-166

A communication from Council Member William H. Carder requesting a Closed Session to discuss a special award being the "Shining Star" award, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(10), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

(Approved 7-0)

File #80-132

AT 12:20 P.M., THE MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE IMMEDIATELY RECONVENED IN ROOM 159 FOR A BRIEFING ON THE FUTURE FUNCTION AND APPEARANCE OF CITY OF ROANOKE STREETS.

AT 2:00 P.M., THE MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE IMMEDIATELY RECONVENED IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W.



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AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All present)

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Catherine A. Houchins, Pastor, Metropolitan Community Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

NOTICE:

Meetings of Roanoke City Council are televised live on RVTV Channel 3. Today's meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Friday, October 4, 2002, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, October 5, 2002, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are now being offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE NOW PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Proclamation declaring the month of October 2002, as Crime Prevention Month.

File #3-5

Proclamation declaring the week of October 6 - 12, 2002, as Fire Prevention Week.

File #3-70

Proclamation declaring the week of October 6 - 12, 2002, as Mental Illness Awareness Week.

File #3-314

Proclamation declaring the month of October 2002, as National Arts and Humanities Month.

File #3

Proclamation declaring the month of October 2002, as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

File #3-353

3. CONSENT AGENDA

(APPROVED 7-0)

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

C-1 Minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, August 19, 2002.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading thereof and approve as recorded.

- C-2 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, October 15, 2002, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, with regard to a Deed of Release and Dedication for a water line easement outside the Falling Creek Filtration Plant and Deed of Quitclaim for right-of-way through the roadways.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.
File #28-468

- C-3 Qualification of the following persons:

William M. Hackworth, City Attorney; Jesse A. Hall, Director of Finance; Mary F. Parker, City Clerk; and Troy A. Harmon, Municipal Auditor, for two year terms of office, commencing October 1, 2002 and ending September 30, 2004;

Raymond Debose, Jr., as a member of the Fair Housing Board, to fill the unexpired term of Bruce L. Robinson, resigned, ending March 31, 2003;

Ben A. Burch, III, as a member of the City of Roanoke Transportation Safety Commission, for a term ending October 31, 2004; and

R. Brian Townsend as a member of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Evelyn S. Lander, resigned, ending June 30, 2003.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.
File #1-15-38-83-110-178-280-316-326

REGULAR AGENDA

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS:

1. Southeast Pilot Project. (15 minutes)

Received and filed.

File #178

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

2. A communication with regard to revised Percent for Art Program Guidelines.

Adopted Resolution No. 36076-100302. (7-0.)

File #217-230-311-467

3. A communication with regard to a Joint Powers Association Agreement - Virginia First Cities Coalition.

Adopted Ordinance No. 36077-100302. (7-0.)

File #550

4. A communication with regard to funding for continued services of an Eligibility Worker at the Health Department.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36078-100302 and Resolution No 36079-100302 . (7-0.)

File #22-60-72-236

5. A communication in connection with installation of flashing light signals and short arm gates at the crossing of Norfolk Avenue, S. E.

Adopted Resolution No. 36080-100302. (7-0.)

File #264-316

6. A communication in connection with architectural and engineering services for the Police Building Project - Phase II.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36081-100302 and Resolution No. 36082-100302 . (7-0.)

File #5-32-60

7. A communication in connection with an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36083-100302 and Resolution No. 36084-100302 . (7-0.)

File #60-70-354

b. CITY ATTORNEY:

1. A report transmitting a measure in connection with a Virginia Education Association resolution regarding the educational funding crisis in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Adopted Resolution No. 36085-100302. (7-0.)

File #60-137-467

c. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial report for the month of August 2002.
Received and filed.
File #1-110

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. A Resolution designating a Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate for the Annual Business Session and meetings of the Urban Section of the Virginia Municipal League and designating a Staff Assistant for any meetings of the Urban Section on Tuesday, October 22, 2002, in Norfolk, Virginia.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36086-100302. (7-0.)
File #17-132**

10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

**Council Member Dowe inquired as to actions taken by the City of Roanoke to decrease and eventually alleviate lead poisoning and lead and arsenic levels in the City of Roanoke's water supply.
File #22-468**

**Council Member Dowe called attention to the passing of Ms. Lola Morgan, a long time resident of the City of Salem, and requested that the Morgan family be remembered in prayer.
File #367**

**Council Member Carder commended Vice-Mayor Harris on his book entitled, Roanoke In Vintage Postcards, which chronicles the history of the City of Roanoke through postcards.
File #216**

Council Member Wyatt expressed concern with regard to the proliferation of tatoo parlors in the Williamson Road area. She advised that the City Attorney has provided the City Planning Commission with a draft measure to address the matter and requested that the City Manager expedite the process through the City Planning Commission for presentation to Council as soon as possible.

File #66-132-200

Vice-Mayor Harris advised that the grand opening of the Grandin Theater will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2002.

File #551

The Mayor presented remarks with regard to a meeting of the White House Conference on "Missing, Exploited and Runaway Children", which he attended on Wednesday, October 3, 2002, in Washington, D. C.

File #304

- b. Vacancies on various authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: NONE.

CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager advised that she had an opportunity to tour the newly renovated Grandin Theater and the community will be pleased with the changes that have been made to the facility.

File #32-551

In view of time constraints, the City Manager withdrew a briefing on technology which was previously scheduled to be held following the 2:00 p.m. session of City Council.

File #132-301

THE MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE IMMEDIATELY RECONVENED IN ROOM 159, FOR A BRIEFING ON A TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT STUDY.

At 5:35 p.m, the meeting was declared in recess for three closed sessions.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (5-0, Council Members Bestpitch and Dowe were absent.)

The following persons were reappointed/appointed to Council-Appointed Committees:

**Industrial Development Authority
File #15-110-207**

**Dennis R. Cronk and
Stark H. Jones for terms
ending October 20,
2006.**

**City of Roanoke Transportation
Safety Commission
File #15-20-110-316**

**David Fifer for a term
ending October 31,
2004.**

**Roanoke Arts Commission
File #15-110-230**

**Betty Branch for a term
ending June 30, 2005.**

A communication from the City Manager recommending that she be authorized to jointly file with the YMCA of Roanoke Valley, Inc., an application with the City of Roanoke Planning Commission, to request that certain parcels of land in the block bounded by Fifth Street, Campbell Avenue, Sixth Street and Luck Avenue, S. W., be rezoned from C-1, Office District, to C-3, Central Business District.

Adopted Resolution No. 36087-100302. (5-0, Council Members Bestpitch and Dowe were absent.)

File #51-100

A communication from the City Manager with regard to additional emergency water supply projects.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36088-100302 and Ordinance No. 36089-100302. (5-0, Council Members Bestpitch and Dowe were absent.)
File #468

THE MEETING OF ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2002, AT WHICH TIME THE SEVEN MEMBERS OF COUNCIL WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE 2002 ROANOKE VALLEY LEADERSHIP TRIP ON OCTOBER 6-8, 2002, IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, COORDINATED BY THE COALITION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.